

subsection (1) method may be used for purposes of section 167(a).

(c) *Certain partnership arrangements.* Under section 167(l)(5), if property held by a partnership is not public utility property in the hands of the partnership but would be public utility property if an election was made under section 761 to be excluded from partnership treatment, then section 167(l) shall be applied by treating the partners as directly owning the property in proportion to their partnership interests.

(d) *Cross reference.* See § 1.167(l)-1(c)(1) for treatment of certain property as “pre-1970 public utility property” and § 1.167(l)-1(e)(4)(ii) for applicable 1968 method in the case of property acquired in certain transactions.

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§ 1.167(l)-4 Public utility property; election to use asset depreciation range system.

(a) *Application of section 167(l) to certain property subject to asset depreciation range system.* If the taxpayer elects to compute depreciation under the asset depreciation range system described in § 1.167(a)-11 with respect to certain public utility property placed in service after December 31, 1970, see § 1.167(a)-11(b) (6).

(Sec. 167 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (26 U.S.C. 167) and sec. 7805 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (26 U.S.C. 7805))

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§ 1.167(m)-1 Class lives.

(a) For rules regarding the election to use the class life system authorized by section 167(m), see the provisions of § 1.167(a)-11.

(Sec. 167(m), 85 Stat. 508 (26 U.S.C. 167))

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§ 1.168-5 Special rules.

(a) *Retirement-replacement-betterment (RRB) property—(1) RRB replacement property placed in service before January 1, 1985.* (i) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section, the recovery deduction for the taxable year for retirement-replacement-betterment (RRB) replacement property (as de-

defined in paragraph (a)(3) of this section) placed in service before January 1, 1985, shall be (in lieu of the amount determined under section 168(b)) an amount determined by applying to the unadjusted basis (as defined in section 168(d)(1) and the regulations thereunder) of such property the applicable percentage determined in accordance with the following table:

If the recovery year is:	And the year the property is placed in service is:			
	1981	1982	1983	1984
	The applicable percentage is:			
1	100	50	33	25
2		50	45	38
3			22	25
4				12

(ii) The provisions of paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section do not apply to any taxpayer who did not use the RRB method of depreciation under section 167 as of December 31, 1980. In such case, RRB replacement property placed in service by the taxpayer after December 31, 1980, shall be treated as other 5-year recovery property under section 168.

(2) *RRB replacement property placed in service after December 31, 1984.* RRB replacement property placed in service after December 31, 1984, is treated as other 5-year recovery property under section 168.

(3) *RRB replacement property defined.* RRB replacement property, for purposes of section 168, means replacement track material (including rail, ties, other track material, and ballast) installed by a railroad (including a railroad switching or terminal company) if—

(i) The replacement is made pursuant to a scheduled program for replacement.

(ii) The replacement is made pursuant to observations by maintenance-of-way personnel of specific track material needing replacement.

(iii) The replacement is made pursuant to the detection by a rail-test car of specific track material needing replacement, or

(iv) The replacement is made as a result of a casualty.

Replacements made as a result of a casualty shall be RRB replacement property only to the extent that, in the